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SUBJ: NARCOTICS CONTROL - HELICOPTERS - TECH REPS

1. WE ASSUME THAT THE BELL INSTRUCTOR PILOT A VD TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE WHOSE SERVICES ARE PROVIDED FOR IN PIO/C 482-132-5-6848400 ARE SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE RANGOON IN JUNE MORE OR LESS SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH FIRST THREE AIRCRAFT. REQUEST COPIES OF ANY CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENT FOR THEIR SERVICES WHICH HAVE BEEN MADE WITH BELL, SO THAT WE MAY DETERMINE WHAT MISSION SUPPORT WILL BE REQUIRED.

2. WE PROPOSE
FOLLOWING ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR IP AND
TECH REP. REQUEST DEPT'S CONCURRENCE AND COMMENTS AFTER WHICH WE
SHALL REVIEW CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THE ARRANGEMENTS WITH GUB.

3. IP AND TECH REP SHOULD BE PROVIDED WITH OFFICIAL PASSPORTS AND DESIGNATED AS TEMPORARILY ATTACHED TO USAID/BURMA. APPLICATIONS FOR THEIR VISAS SHOULD BE MADE IN WASHINGTON IN SAME MANNER AS FOR USG PERSONNEL. IP AND TECH REP WILL RECEIVE INITIAL DUTY-FREE ENTRY PRIVILEGES. THEY WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO DUTY-FREE IMPORT PRIVILEGES AFTER ARRIVAL, BUT WILL BE AFFORDED SAME CONTINUING ACCESS TO EMBASSY COMMISSARY AND CLUB AS MEMBERS OF MISSION. IF THEY HAVE EFFECTS TO BE SHIPPED IN ADDITION TO BAGGAGE WHICH THEY BRING WITH THEM, SUCH ITEMS SHOULD BE SHIPPED UNDER GBL CONSIGNED TO AMERICAN AMBASSADOR (INITIAL OF INDIVIDUAL), AMERICAN EMBASSY,
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RANGOON. WE SHALL EXPORT ANY EFFECTS THEY MAY HAVE IN SAME WAY,

CHARGING COSTS TO BELL, PROJECT FUNDS, OR AID ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS DEPENDING ON PROVISIONS OF CONTRACT AND RESPONSE TO PARA 6 BELOW.

4. EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE HOUSING, PROBABLY IN STAFF APARTMENTS. FYI IN RESPONSE TO PRELIMINARY INQUIRY BAF INDICATED IT HAD NO PREFERENCE FOR IP AND/OR TECH REP BEING BILLETED AT MINGALADON. END FYI. WE INTEND TO URGE BAF TO PROVIDE CAR AND DRIVER FOR TRANSPORT OF IP AND TEI REP DURING WORKING HOURS. IF BAF UNABLE OR UNWILLING TO DO SO USAID VEHICLE WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE WORKING HOURS. FOR PERSONAL UNOFFICIAL TRANSPORTATION THEY WILL BE ABLE MAKE USE OF EMBASSY RECREATIONAL TRANSPORT AT A MODEST CHARGE. WPTM AS FOREGOING INDICATES, WE PREFER TO HAVE IP AND TECH REP TREATED FOR NEARLY ALL PURPOSES AS TDY PERSONNEL OF MISSION, RATHER THAN AS CONTRACTORS RESPONSIBLE FOR OWN ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS. THIS COURSE IS SIMPLETS FOR ALL CONCERNED, INCLUDING GUB, AND EXPERIENCE WITH OTHER CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL SUCH AS BOVAY ENGINEER ON OKKYIN TEAK MILL PROJECT INDICATES IT RESULTS IN LEAST EFFORT FOR MISSION IN THE END. IT WILL OF COURSE BE NECESSARY FOR CONTRACT WITH BELL TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY MISSION, SO THAT USG IS NOT PUT IN POSITION OF PAYING TWICE FOR SUCH SERVICES.

6. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS ON WHETHER DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS INCLUDING ADDITIONAL SAS ATTRIBUTABLE TO PRESENCE OF IP AND TECH REP SHOULD BE CHARGED TO PROJECT FUNDS OR TO AID ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS.
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